

Students barred from meeting

A precedent was set Monday evening, April 7 when The Pacer was barred for the first time in history from hearing the verdict sent down by a governing body of the Student Government Association, an action which could result in criminal charges being levied against the Commission members for violating students' rights.

The Election Commission, after hearing charges brought against Board of Trustees candidate Steve Hyers by fellow candidate Mike Turner, deliberated over two hours in closed session before returning a "not guilty" vote, according to the defendant. Interested students, Pacer editorial page editor Pamela

Allen and Pacer staff member Richard Barrett were prevented by Election Commission member Paul Guyton from entering the room in which the verdict was to be read.

"On the spot, we questioned the legality of the commission's action, but our complaints were dismissed in a flippant manner that in no way was compatible with the gravity of the situation," stated Allen and Barrett.

The reasons stated for the Commission's action were that they were interested in sparing the two parties involved unnecessary embarrassment. Steve Carter, Election Commissioner stated that the action took place as a "courtesy for the

two parties involved."

This action by the commission violates Sections 2,3,4 and 5 of Chapter 44 of the Public acts of 1974, Tennessee Code Annotated, commonly referred to as the "Sunshine law."

"In the three years which I have been associated with The Pacer," said Aaron Hughey, editor, "I cannot recall any meetings of this nature to which the press has been denied access."

"The students have a right to know the circumstances surrounding any event which affects their perception of campus life to any extent."

Ted Council, director of Safety and Security, said "I

think that the laws of the state of Tennessee should apply to the SGA as well as any governing body in Tennessee."

A local attorney said, "I think that the sunshine law applies to this meeting as I understand the facts."

Another attorney said, "Based on the purpose and function of the SGA, I believe that it must conform to the sunshine law."

Tennessee State Senator Jim White, the author of the "Sunshine law", said, "In my offhand opinion, it violated the sunshine law to exclude the public (students and the press) from hearing the verdict. It definitely violates the spirit of the law."

"SUNSHINE LAW"

8-4401. Policy.— (a) The general assembly hereby declares it to be the policy of this state that the formation of public policy and decisions is public business and shall not be conducted in secret.

(b) Sections 8-4401—8-4406 shall not be construed to limit any of the rights and privileges contained in Article I, Section 19, of the constitution of the state of Tennessee. (Acts 1974 (Adj. S.), ch. 442, Sections 1, 2.)

8-4402. Open meetings.— "Governing body" defined.— "Meeting" defined.— All meetings of any governing body are declared to be public meetings open to the public at all times, except as provided by the Tennessee Constitution.

"Governing body" means the members of any public body which consists of two (2) or more members, with the authority to make decisions for or recommendations to a public body

on policy or administration and also means a community action agency which administers community action programs under the provisions of 42 U.S.C. 2790. Any governing body so defined by this section shall remain so defined, notwithstanding the fact that such governing body may have designated itself as a negotiation committee for collective bargaining purposes, and strategy sessions of a governing body under such circumstances shall be open to the public at all times.

"Meeting" means the convening of a governing body of a public body for which a quorum is required in order to make a decision or to deliberate toward a decision on any matter. Meeting does not include any on site inspection of any project or program.

Nothing in this section shall be construed as to require a chance meeting of two (2) or more members of a public body to be con-

sidered a public meeting. No such chance meetings, informal assemblages, or electronic communication shall be used to decide or deliberate public business in circumvention of the spirit or requirements of Sections 8-4401—8-4406. (Acts 1974 (Adj. S.), ch. 442, Section 2; 1979, ch. 411, Sections 1, 2.)

8-4403. Notice of public meetings.— (a) Notice of Regular Meetings. Any such governmental body which holds a meeting previously scheduled by statute, ordinance, or resolution, shall give adequate public notice of such meeting.

(b) Notice of Special Meetings. Any such governmental body which holds a meeting not previously scheduled by statute, ordinance, or resolution, or for which notice is not already provided by law, shall give adequate public notice of such meeting.

(c) The notice requirements of Sections 8-4401—8-4406 are in addition

to, and not in substitution of, any other notice required by law. (Acts 1974 (Adj. S.), ch. 442, Section 3.)

8-4404. Minutes recorded and open to public.— The minutes of a meeting of any such governmental body shall be promptly and fully recorded, shall be open to public inspection, and shall include but not be limited to a record of persons present, all motions, proposals and resolutions offered, the results of any votes taken, and a record of individual votes in event of roll call. (Acts 1974 (Adj. S.), ch. 442, Section 4.)

8-4405. Action nullified.— Exception.— Any action taken at a meeting in violation of Sections 8-4401—8-4406 shall be void and of no effect, provided that this nullification of actions taken at such meetings shall not apply to any commitment, otherwise legal, affecting the public debt of the entity concerned. (Acts 1974 (Adj. S.), ch. 442, Section 5.)



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Bucy, Chesteen surprised

Recent student elections 'may be void'

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and
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Editorial Page Editor

All student elections held at the University of Tennessee at Martin since April 18, 1979 may be null and void, according to the Student Government Constitution. Article VII, Section 1.8 of the Constitution states:

"Election Commission members shall check on qualifications of all candidates for the offices provided for in the Constitution and ascertain immediately after nomination whether or not such persons are qualified to serve."

Evidence indicates that a full Election Commission as defined by the Student Government Constitution was not approved by the Student Congress until April 8, 1980.

Evidence also suggests that from the period of April 18, 1979 until April 8, 1980, the Student Government Association here on campus did not have an official Election Commission. The implication of these facts is that any decisions or actions by any body calling itself an Election Commission must be considered invalid and not warranting any consideration by the student body as well as the Student Government Association.

This evidence came to light as the result of students' and members' of The Pacer staff being barred from hearing the verdict in the Monday night hearing concerning the charges brought against Steve Hyers by Mike Turner. Turner, candidate for Board of Trustees, had accused fellow candidate Hyers of illegal campaign practices.

When the Election Commission roll was called at the hearing, no mention was made of the three faculty members required by the Constitution. When asked the next day about this omission, Election Commissioner Steve Carter stated that he was unaware of the requirement for faculty members. Steve Hyers, defendant in the hearing, said he was also unaware of the requirement.

A list of the Election Commission members obtained from SGA the next morning (Tuesday) listed the following members: Paul Guyton, Terry Todd, Sheila Munns, Brenda Boals, Douglas Duncan, Kevin Lineberry, Melanie Purdue, and Steve Carter. Again no mention was made of the three faculty members required by the Constitution.

At the Student Congress

meeting held Tuesday, April 9, the following list was announced and voted on as members of the Election Commission: Steve Carter, Paul Guyton, Melanie Purdue, Sheila Munns, Brenda Boals, Terry Todd, Steve Young, Doug Duncan, Kevin Lineberry, Kathy Chandler, Gwendolyn Thomas, Mr. John Bucy, director of the University Center, Dr. Phillip Watkins, advisor of SGA and Dr. Richard Chesteen, professor in the political science department. The last

three were listed as the three faculty members required by the Constitution. The list was read and approved by Congress.

When asked to comment on his approval by the Student Congress, Bucy stated, "That's certainly news to me, but I'm more than happy to assist the Election Commission any way that I can."

Chesteen commented, "I was on the Election Commission at one time, but that was several years ago. And I'm not for sure, but I think

that at one point, I asked to be taken off of it, but I can't say for sure. However, no one has approached me orally, by written correspondence or phone or anything with regard to being on the Election Commission this year....I have no particular objection to being on the list."

Chesteen went on to say he would take no responsibility for any previous action of the Commission, and that while he has always been willing to help in student activities, he would have liked "the cour-

tesy of being asked to serve."

Connoted by the Constitution current and past decisions of the Commission that are currently under question as to their validity include but are not limited to:

1. All candidates for student offices since April 18, 1979
2. The validity of all candidates involved in homecoming
3. All present candidates for the upcoming SGA elections
4. All decisions or actions, taken on behalf of their office, of all students who qualify for

one of the above

5. All proposals passed or presently before SGA proposed by students fitting one of the above categories

6. Setting of all dates for elections and referendum, including the upcoming activities fee.

If the Election Commission is found to be invalid, much of the work of this SGA administration will also likely be declared invalid and the future SGA administration may find its responsibilities completely redefined.

Hyers found 'not guilty'

By PAMELA ALLEN
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and
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UT Board of Trustees candidate Steve Hyers was found "not guilty" of illegal campaign practices by the Election Commission at a hearing Monday evening, April 7, according to Steve Carter, election commissioner.

Hyers was acquitted of charges brought by fellow trustees candidate Mike Turner. The charges as read at the meeting stated that Steve Hyers was guilty of "attending organizational meetings representing SGA without the permission of the Student Government president under the responsibilities of SGA president (Article 4, Section 2.2B), or the SGA cabinet, in order to gain exposure for campaign purposes, soliciting support for his candidacy as Board of Trustees representative by phone or in person before formal campaigning has begun."

After the Commission discussed the hearing format, Mike Turner opened his comments by elaborating on his reasons for bringing the charges before the Election Commission. When asked if a specific incident at Ellington Hall had prompted his charges, Turner responded, "It's not so much Ellington Hall, it's Panhellenic, InterFraternity Council, Atrium Hall Council and

others which I will bring up when we call the witnesses in." Instances recounted included a bookstore encounter, a hallway encounter and a phone call.

Witnesses called by Turner were Keith Haas, Jennifer Smith, Jackie Dodson, Melanie Rosenburger, Natasha Poindexter, Tina

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Campaigns begin

By MARCIA PITTS
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The Student Government political campaign officially began Monday, April 7, at midnight with 13 candidates running for SGA offices and three running for the UT Board of Trustees, according to Steve Carter, election commissioner.

Candidates for the UT Board of Trustees are Mike Turner, the present SGA president, Steve Hyers, present SGA vice president, and Bobby Hibbett, business Congress person. Hibbett will be a junior for the 1980-81 academic year, and Hyers and Turner will both be graduate students.

Candidates for the presidency are Bill Conley, a member of Alpha Gamma Rho, Rose Ann Boyd, who is currently Chief Justice in Student Court, and David Griggs, secretary of communications at the present time.

Candidates for the vice president's position are Steve Young, a junior and member of Alpha Gamma Rho, and Jim Lambert, a member of

Kappa Alpha Order.

Candidates for secretary of communications are Judy Register, a sophomore, Tracy Davis, Panhellenic Congress person, and Brad Hurley, independent Congress person.

David Waycaster, a freshman and member of Phi Sigma Kappa, and Chip Fought, business Congress person, are running for secretary of finance.

Cindy Fairless, who is speaker of Congress, is running unopposed for secretary of affairs.

Elmer Martin is running for re-election against Donald Comer for secretary of minority affairs.

According to Carter, campaign speeches are scheduled for Monday, April 14, at 5 p.m. on the University Center patio.

"We want to encourage everyone to come out and vote. This is an all important election because of the activity fee referendum and the opportunity for students to elect a representative from this school for the Board of Trustees," Carter said.

Candidates for Board of Trustees position state their views concerning the issues

By DOROTHY BOCK
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Three UTM students campaigning for the Board of Trustees position will be voted on by the UTM student body on April 15.

The Pacer conducted an interview with Bobby Hibbett, junior from Mt. Juliet, Tenn.; Steve Hyers, Jacksonville, Fla. senior; and Mike Turner, Savannah, Tenn. senior, in hopes of determining why they are pursuing the position, what type of experience they have and most importantly perhaps where they stand on important issues.

Pacer: What made you decide to pursue the position of student representative on the Board of Trustees?

Hibbett: This is not a political position. Trustees are the decision-making body, it's more of an administrative type position. Many times politics realistically and practically enter into the Board of Trustees, and I think I'm able to handle these political maneuvers that some people may make, as well as carrying on business of the Board.

Hyers: I was told about the position's being open last year, but I was not that concerned. Then I talked to some other friends and was told that it is an important job with a lot of responsibility. I felt that this year has gone extremely well for SGA. I feel we have done more than we've ever done, and I feel like our vice president's office, which includes Keith Haas, has been very responsible this year. I think we've produced. I feel like the responsibility of the position will take a responsible person. I feel like I

would enjoy doing it.

Turner: I thought about the position and responsibilities it included for a considerable amount of time. I finally came to the conclusion that I had the most experience in working with the Board of Trustees, Dr. Boling's staff, the SGAs of the other UT System schools and also the National Alumni Association, since I have served on the National Alumni Association Board of Governors.

Pacer: Now that you have explained your reasons for pursuing the position of Board of Trustees, what type of experience do you have that would help you in this position?

Hibbett: I believe that I am the best man for the job because I am diversified among many organizations. I'm open and readily accessible on campus. I don't believe there's such a thing as an everyday average college student. Most students want someone in touch with what they think and do, and I know what's going on. I am presently a resident assistant in Austin Peay Hall, Alpha Phi Omega recording secretary, ROTC cadet; I am on Congress and a member of Phi Eta Sigma.

Hyers: I am on the Board this year and I am on the athletics committee on the Board, and, by virtue of that fact, I've been on the athletics committee here that produced Coach Mears and this produced a turnaround in athletics. I was appointed to that because I was an athlete. I believe this goes right along the ways of my major.

Turner: These past two years I have served as a student counselor to Dr. Ed

Boling of the UT System. As a student counselor I have served and worked with members of SGAs from the other three UT schools and also the student member on the Board of Trustees. This year I also served on the Board of Trustees Student Affairs committee along with other SGA presidents. By serving on this committee, I have been exposed to the student problems that the Board deals with and what their attitudes are towards these problems. I have been SGA vice president in 78-79 and this year I served as president of SGA.

Pacer: What issues will you be concentrating on during your campaign and while serving on the board?

Hibbett: Credibility of the student trustee is one of the most important issues. If the student trustee can establish credibility in the eyes of the other trustees on the board, he'll be able to make great inroads and a lot of progress in presenting the views of the students. I don't know what's going to be presented to the Board in the next year, but I'm not a person to do politically popular things. I'm a person that sticks to his guns when he thinks something is right. As far as the other issues go, you just have to take those things in stride and not get behind the power current. When these things are presented to the board, it won't be just me making the decision. I'll contact many people before making any kind of decision.

Hyers: I have three main issues that I plan to pursue. First is the governor's plan to increase fees eight percent. Most states have an income

tax from their education systems. Tennessee doesn't, which they're using as an excuse not to match the funds they're asking taxpayers to pay. I am opposed to their increasing it, because they're talking about raising it again in a couple of years.

Second is that the governor is also going to limit the building in the whole UT System. UTM is pursuing a dome-type agricultural building to house agriculture development, civic programs and a rodeo. It will be a multi-purpose hall; UTM is pursuing this pretty hard and I hope that the governor hasn't gotten so stringent on spending that we will not be able to fund this. I want to keep it alive in the UT System because I think UTM and northwest Tennessee need it.

The third issue concerns employment opportunities. I feel that there is an imbalance in our system, female-wise, and in other areas, that needs to be worked on to balance out the system according to ratios set by federal guidelines.

Turner: The biggest issue next year will probably be the increase in fees for state-supported higher education institutions. UTM and the other UT System schools are faced with an eight percent increase in fees for undergraduates. Tennessee is ranked close to the bottom in money given to state-supported colleges and universities by the legislature. Kentucky's state legislature funds its college and universities \$1,800 for every student attending the schools, whereas Tennessee schools are only funded \$1,200 per student.

Secondly is the proposed SGA activities fee for next year. With student activity program budgets receiving no increases in money from the state legislature, programs such as The Pacer, Spirit and others are having a hard time dealing with inflation and yet maintaining or increasing their level of performances in services they offer. SGA, excluding operation expenses, only has about \$3,000 per year to fund its programs. And so is true with The Pacer and Spirit, due to the higher cost of printing and film. The only two solutions to the problem are either to cut these programs or else find alternate sources of money, which is where the activities fee comes in.

Another issue at UTM will be more open house for freshmen living in Austin Peay and McCord. This is a local issue which ultimately will be decided by the chancellor's staff or the housing staff. It is an issue of considerable importance that needs to be dealt with as soon as possible.

Other issues that will affect the whole UT System are increased student parking, increased housing facilities, student representation on the academic senate and more pass-fail classes.

Pacer: The three candidates were also questioned on how they planned to represent students in the whole UT System. All three candidates stated they would keep all lines of communication open among the campuses and make scheduled visits throughout the year to the various campuses.

PACER INSIGHT

SGA procedures, elections challenged

The events of the past four days have unearthed a maze of increasingly complex irregularities, discrepancies and possible illegalities in regard to the Election Commission and, in a definite way, the Student Government Association itself.

It is important to note that the investigation and the overwhelming majority of the facts uncovered were discovered in the course of a normal investigative news story.

From this experience evolved our present concern with the sunshine law. If adherence to this law had been maintained by SGA, many of the unanswered questions present in this week's Pacer would have been answered. Without the keeping of proper public records, it is impossible for anyone, especially the student body, to judge the value or the legality of

present or past SGA administration.

At this point, The Pacer insists that either the SGA abide completely and unequivocally by its own Constitution or abolish it completely as a useless bureaucratic tool.

We feel the responsibility to fully investigate this situation just as we felt the responsibility to inform the students of those facts uncovered to date.

On the grounds that the Election Commission was invalid at the time the candidates were approved, any student on this campus can contest the election or referendum next Tuesday. The Pacer feels strongly that this election and referendum voting should be postponed until all issues are resolved to the satisfaction of the student body.

Board of Trustees post requires responsibility

In addition to voting for Student Government Association officers on April 15, UTM students will also have the opportunity to select the student representative for the University of Tennessee Board of Trustees. This person will be the only student on the board, meaning that he will represent all the students on the University's four campuses.

This position is undoubtedly the single most important one that a UT student can hold; the responsibilities are likewise the most awesome that any student can uphold. Qualifications for this position therefore are many, with one of the most vital ones being a demonstrated expertise in accurately recognizing the problems of all UT students. An "out-of-touch" student member can have no productive effect on the actions and proposals of the Board of Trustees.

To an extent, the problem of reading the needs of UT students falls into the hands of all students at UTM. We must select this person from three candidates and we must select very carefully. It is our responsibility to select the

most capable student representative; to ignore our duty and participate in a popularity contest is to rob the position of its proper seriousness.

The student member must be willing to donate long hours and much travel time to the job of student member of the Board of Trustees. The job demands so much time that it must be regarded as the first consideration of the student member, indicating his sacrifice in other areas. A student already burdened with responsibilities here at UTM cannot make the adjustments and sacrifices necessary to accomplish this goal, and should not undertake it.

However, if we fail to elect a qualified candidate, our responsibility goes much further than just UTM: we will then give the Board of Trustees a worthless member and rob all UT students of fair representation.

UTM students, vote very carefully and wisely on April 15. The choice you make can make us proud over the next year or cause us year-long embarrassment.

Referendum questioned; more explanation needed

Next Tuesday, April 15, students will have an opportunity to voice their opinions concerning the student life-style here at UTM. Passing of the referendum concerning the student activities fee could be the first step in improving the cultural and social programs available here on campus. While The Pacer has gone on record commending the work of the SGA in this area, there are still several questions that need to be answered.

The most important issues concern just who will be assessed the nine dollars per quarter necessary to fund this ambitious program and who will benefit from it.

Under Section B of the proposal published in the April 3 edition of The Pacer, we are informed that full-time undergraduate students will bear the burden of supporting this program, and, immediately below it, the proposal states that all students will receive a copy of the year book at no additional cost.

Does this include part-time students who have not paid the fee? What of students who drop and add courses after registration, thus changing their status from full to part-time and vice versa? Will the student taking eleven hours of classwork be denied the "free" yearbook, "free" movies, discount concert tickets and other activities enjoyed by students taking twelve hours?

Questions can also be raised concerning graduating seniors and graduate students. Will students graduating after the Fall Quarter receive the same yearbook for their nine dollars that those students graduating in the

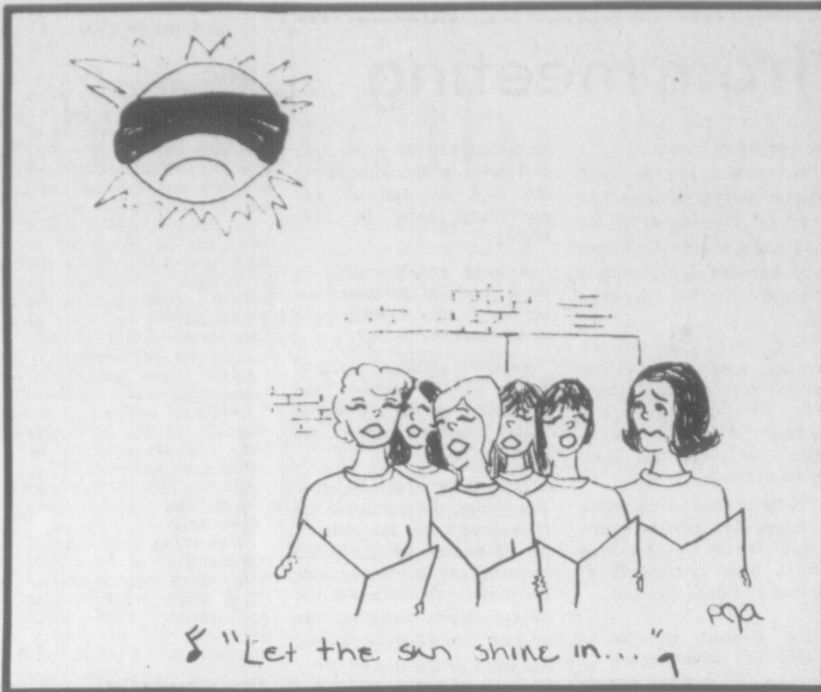
spring pay 27 dollars to receive? What provisions have been made for graduate students who vote for the referendum and then decide later to exercise their option of not paying the fee? According to the proposal, undergraduates have no such option. Can this be considered fair?

Many such questions need to be answered before the true worth of the proposal can be accurately determined.

Questions also arise concerning the proposed activities board which will be set up to manage these funds. Just who will comprise this board and how will it be selected? More important, however, is the question of what options will be available to the student body in altering the makeup of the board should its output prove unsatisfactory. SGA also has the responsibility of ensuring that members of this board represent all racial and ethnic groups on campus, including, perhaps, some relatively unpopular special interest groups.

In conclusion, The Pacer would like to reiterate its support for the goals of this program. We feel it is necessary, however, to point out some of the inconsistencies present in the proposal and to state that more work is necessary before the proposal is offered to the student body for voting.

With this end in sight, The Pacer strongly suggests that voting on the referendum be postponed until the April 29 election of the Student Congress. During the interim period, SGA will have ample time to answer these and any other questions concerning this important issue.



Collapse imminent

Patriotism

America is on a collision course with disaster. The value structure which once formed the foundation on which our society was built has all but collapsed and there's very little that can be done to prevent the demise of what was once perhaps the greatest nation in the world.

Look around. Everywhere people are engaged in a futile attempt to postpone the inevitable. The economy is nothing more than a sadistic joke and the government stands impotent at the hands of foreign powers with less than a fraction of our relative strength.

We've had it too good for too long. Liberalism has caused our entire mental processes to become distorted to an immeasurable extent. We live in a society of individuals who are too nearsighted to recognize the necessity of cooperation and mutual dependence. Self-centeredness is the mechanism by which America will be brought to its knees.

But is it really too late? Isn't there a chance that we can overcome our situation and again occupy a prominent place in the realm of world

affairs? Perhaps—but it is doubtful. Radical reform is our only alternative. And now is the time we must act.

Defense. Our military budget must be expanded tremendously if we are to have any hope of surviving into the twenty-first century as a "free" nation. As the years pass, aggression on the part of the Soviet Union and other such powers will undoubtedly increase exponentially. Our ability to withstand such pressure will be vital to our survival as a culture. Foreign nations must be convinced that to lash out against the United States would be an act of sheer lunacy.

Religion. America is seemingly outgrowing its need for God. Never before in the history of mankind has materialism held such an important role in the everyday lives of people. We have come to trust in an accumulation of things instead of in an all-powerful God who is capable of providing endless satisfaction at affordable prices. How foolish and simple we have truly become.

Education. Increasingly, this is the most neglected of our essential institutions.

by Aaron Hughey

Educators are becoming far too caught up in their own security to adequately perform their designated function to a maximum extent. The advancement of our nation's youth holds the key to everybody's tomorrow. All they are capable of knowing is what we teach them. That should be a very sobering thought.

Government. We need less government. Fewer taxes and fewer government employees.

Our political structure is a monument to inefficiency. By a more sensible management of revenue, better services could be provided at a cost far less than is presently the case. A free enterprise system void of government regulations is the only answer. But don't get your hopes up.

As can be clearly inferred from the preceding paragraphs, the United States is in horrible shape. And it's going to get a lot worse in the years ahead so be prepared. Our chances are slim—but there is hope. Admittedly, it's only a glimmer, but still it's something. And when that's all you have, it has a tendency to look pretty good. It has to.

Legal points expounded?

Pursuits

by Steve Warren

I think it is obvious from this week's edition that the editors have been very interested in some legal points of certain laws.

I see this as a good opportunity to question some other laws which I have often wondered about. (Besides, we have 20 inches of white space to fill.)

I have always wondered why people continually argue about the death penalty for capital crimes. It seems to me that the seriousness of the crime should be taken into

enough natural resources to make us independent from commie countries which are trying to bring America to its knees on the energy front. If the miners want to go out and purchase alcohol that is their right. They probably need to unwind after a hard day at the mines.

And what's all this I keep hearing about keeping dogs on a lease. Their little doggie houses don't even have indoor plumbing. Why should they have to take out a lease? I know their living conditions must not conform to state codes. How can anyone expect them to be held to a lease?

But I guess the silliest thing I've heard lately is this mess about the draft dodgers. If anyone wants to sit around all day, dodging drafts, I guess it's their business. But it

really is silly to go all the way to Canada just to avoid a little wind.



Tuesday's referendum explained

SGA Dateline

The decisions you will be making on election day next Tuesday will not only decide the make-up of next year's SGA cabinet, but in the case of the referendum on the Student Activities Fee, will go a long way in determining the course of your student government in the future.

For the past five or six years, SGA has been funded with the same annual budget allotted from the university of \$13,000. Out of this budget must come all office expenses, salaries and improvements. The part left over is used for providing entertainment, speakers and all other activities SGA sponsors. Over this period of five years, inflation has greatly reduced the

amount of effectiveness we have with this budget. Inflation has accumulated to 60 percent while the SGA budget has increased zero percent. This explains to you why SGA in the future will not be able to provide even what it has in the past unless something is done about it.

We are proposing that UTM come out of the dark ages and join other schools our size in the area such as Murray State, Austin Peay and Middle Tennessee by initiating a Student Activities Fee. It would entail a \$9.00 charge on the maintenance fee at the beginning of each quarter. But, for this nine dollars, the student would actually be receiving more than \$25 worth

Politics

Welcome, my friends to the world of politics. The year is 1980 and many of you know we are once again about the business of electing our nation's president. The campaign speeches and promises started some time ago. On Feb. 26, the first presidential primary was held in New Hampshire, and since then, 12 states have had their presidential primary. In these various states, the people have made known their preference for the Republican and Democratic nominees for the office of president.

On May 6 of this year, we too have the chance to make known our choice of candidates for the Republican and Democratic nominees. I wonder how many of you will vote.

I exhort those of you who are registered to vote in this state to secure an absentee ballot if your registration is not in Weakley County. If you are registered here, I urge you to vote.

For those of you who are not

by Lorinda Palen

registered to vote, I urge you to get registered. It is too late to vote in the primary, but you can vote in the general election on Nov. 4.

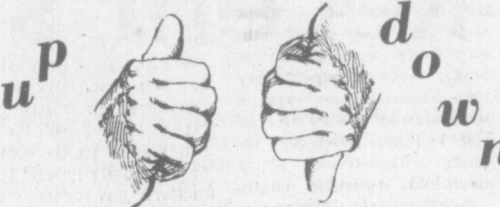
Too many people fail to realize that the right to vote is the most important tool of political expression we have. I feel that I must point out to you that those of us 18-25 years have one of the most powerful voting forces in the country. Yet we consistently have the lowest voter turnout of any group. This says something I don't like to hear. We who are about to take the reigns of government don't give a damn. Or least we don't care enough to exercise our most important political right.

At this point, I bring it to a close and in so doing, I ask a question. Do the statistics tell the truth about my generation...or do they lie? I hope for our country's sake that the latter is the answer. There is but one way the statistics can be proven wrong—and that is by our exercising the right to vote.

FEEDBACK

Exercising your right to vote

Thumbs:



To those students who took the time to fill out their Census forms. Not only have you provided the government with vital sociological information, but you have also saved yourself a \$100 fine.

To the people who put their feet on the wall in the billiards room in the University Center.

To the Political Science Division. It now has a complete set of the United States Code Annotated, available to students for reference by contacting Dr. Ted Mosch.

To Housing for not acting on a proposal for a sidewalk from Atrium to the back parking lot. The suggestion was brought up by an Atrium resident last quarter during a Housing--Atrium Hall meeting.

Correction: In last week's "Thumbs Up," we thanked Safety and Security for changing the restrictions on parking in Clement circle. We contacted them immediately prior to press time and were told that the restrictions on students had been lifted, but, unfortunately, the information was incorrect. We regret any inconvenience or problems caused to students acting on the basis of the information we provided.

Eight months later

Eight months later, I told myself as I try to decide just how much a person can change in eight months.

Sublimating my panic through crash diets and new sweaters and beer-filled nights.

Demanding an accurate account from my memory, finding only time-fuzzed images of strawberry daiquiris and a Journey concert and "do you love me?" scenes.

Nervousness in a scratched record played too loudly now too softly

...until eight months later is tonight.

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In the cooler shades appear waist-length knitted tops of three-quarter length and short sleeves, perfect with pants of matching shades. This year's spring collection has also woven knits into dresses.

And speaking of dresses,

by Jennifer Guthrie

jacket dresses are big this season! You will also find chemises, short flouncy dresses and T-shirt dresses all above or slightly below the knee.

If suits seem softer, it's because the accent is on the blouse—lacy, glittered.

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Science has just made a fantastic breakthrough which may potentially save the world and mankind. They have found a way to rid the world of its egotistical, hostile,

belligent, dominating and ignorant people. This will take careful planning, but through karyology (the study of chromosomes), it can be done.

First of all—all of the male population must receive a vasectomy. This will, of course, not interfere with "recreational" activities. Before the vasectomy, a large supply of sperm should be

taken from each man. This sperm should be centrifuged and separated X from Y chromosomes, or male and

female producing sperm. The male sperm with the Y chromosome is lighter; it should be thrown away for the most part. A small amount will have to be kept.

When a couple gets ready to have a child, the woman can have artificial insemination with some of her husband's female producing sperm.

After four or five generations, the world we live in will be ideal. They would keep

maybe one percent of the population male for "recreational purposes" or in case the sperm banks are

burned. The one percent shouldn't be enough to cause any problems.

by Melanie Williams

Think what a perfect world would then exist. People could devote their time to education, fine arts and overall self-improvement. They would not

have to spend half of their lifetime chasing the weaker sex, playing coy and watching for attractions. They would not

be stepped on by the hostility and ego problems of the weaker sex. The average

intelligence would rise from an I.Q. of 100 to 120 (which is average for women).

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start wars. Our nation's money could be spent feeding and clothing the poor and elderly.

For a better world...

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The great ephus hunt of Carroll County

Sport

Last week saw the commencement of this two-part series with myself and three dogs (not the K-9 Corps) Duke, Buster and Sam readying ourselves for an ephus hunt.

The ephus is a strange animal found only in Carroll County whose distinguishing traits are the head of a giant eagle (yes, there are teeth, very sharp teeth inside his beak), a candy-striped ivory horn sixteen inches long, a large anthropoid body covered with brilliant green fur, six hands with stiletto sharp claws nine inches in length.

To kill an ephus, the hunter must stay alive (an uncommon phenomenon in ephus hunting) long enough to decapitate the beast with his ephus pliers, which must be very, very sharp.

"Good evening, gentlemen," I said. "The ephus season has nearly reached the point of termination for this year, so I propose that we gird up our loins and sally forth into the swamp called Lindsey's to seek and slay a specimen of the most noble of beasts."

My canine colleagues required little encouragement, so with hearts made light by the prospect of an ephus encounter, we gaily trod the mile and a half distance to the edge of Lindsey's swamp.

After passing through the sentinel oaks and hickory nut trees at the swamp's fringe, we lingered for a moment to gaze with awe and terror at the vista spread before us. The full moon's light lent a ghostly pallor to the foreboding swamp growth, and I should not have been surprised to find myself locked in the embrace of a tree branch while being inexorably pulled towards a squirrel's den, which I fancied was some woody digestive orifice.

The dogs seemed scarcely to be in better condition than I, so I gave each a dram from

my Kool-Aid flask, which cheered them considerably. With quivering lips I drained the remainder of the flask's contents, then with Kool-Aid courage we proceeded deeper into the ephus' hostile home.

At length Duke struck a trail and the others chimed in. The canny ephus led us deeper and deeper into his domain, and I was sure that he planned some horrible rendezvous in some cemetery somewhere. I felt that my worst fears had been confirmed when the ephus left for the higher ground leading to Cindy Graveyard. I tested the sharp edge of my ephus pliers and was comforted.

"Ba-ROOOOOOOOOOO!" The roar of an enraged ephus floated down from the high country to assault mine ears, and three very timid looking dogs skulked through the nearby brush, heading for safer territory and endeavoring to escape my scrutiny.

I uncorked a bottle of Elmer's glue and took a sniff; then, marshalling my courage, I planted myself in the dog's path. "Vile, ignoble, cowardly canines!" said I. "Why go ye one way, when your duty lies the other?" So saying, I showed them my back and began the lonely trek to the Graveyard, knowing, or at least hoping, that my example would shame them into seeing the ephus hunt's conclusion.

Estimated position: 15 yards from Cindy Graveyard, 15 to 30 yards from a mean, salivating, enraged ephus. Estimated time of contact: anytime or no time, as the ephus wills. Estimated supply of courage: one more sniff. Once more, I uncork my glue bottle and inhale deeply. Behind me I hear a chattering of teeth and smile, knowing that my trusty dogs are again with me and eager for the hunt.

One hand grips the ephus pliers, another holds a flashlight. NO! I forgot to

include batteries! That's ok, be steady. The moon is full and I can see well enough. I smell his rank, undecorized breath; the foul stench of body odor is almost overpowering. He's upon me; my flashlight is knocked away, but I retain my grip on the Pliers, oh Mama, why did I ever go ephus hunting!

In the ensuing fray I can hear my gallant dogs' battle roar mingling with that of the ephus, whose greenish bulk towers above the puny tombstones. Stunned, almost in shock, I tear up a monument to a Confederate soldier and hurl it at the ephus. The rock shatters, the ephus charges, Barry is caught by a leg while struggling to climb a tree! As the ephus' nine-inch claws pierce my leg, I release my grip on the tree and fall on the ephus with all the insane fury of a nestling attacking his first pacifier.

Snip, snip, snip with the pliers, got to get his neck! Fluorescent green fur flies from my pliers as I barber the monster, but I cannot get in position for the fatal cut. The beast's horn catches my jacket, and I am forced to dangle there helplessly as he turns his attention to the dogs.

Duke snarls and lunges forward, catching the beast in a vise-like grip on the chin while Sam and Buster worry his flanks. The ephus has more energy than any of us; shortly the dogs will be exhausted and easy prey, then the ephus will no doubt remember the tasty morsel he has dangling from his horn.

But I watched cartoons as a child, and I have one Ace up my sleeve the ephus has yet to reckon with. With the last of my strength I tear the lid from a can of spinach and swallow

the contents whole. As I begin to feel the Wonder Weed's effects, I rend my garment in twain and swiftly slide down the monster's back until properly positioned for the cut that will end the battle.

"Who needs pliers!" I yell, and cast mine away. Giddy with spinach-induced strength, I grab the ephus'

horn and force his head back with my right hand while sliding the fingers of my left around his skinny Junebug neck. That neck surprises me. Though it is slender and puny in appearance, it exhibits all the properties of a railroad iron. It is difficult enough to bend and seemingly impossible to break. Nevertheless, I persevere. To do otherwise is to invite certain death.

Releasing my hold on the horn, I retrieve my razor-sharp Buck folding hunter and place the haft in my teeth. The spinach's effect is on the wane; I must act swiftly. Exerting all my might, I once more force the ephus' head backwards, and knife still held by sturdy teeth, I furiously begin to saw.

Nearly exhausted, can't go on. Dogs falling and stumbling. Neck as whole as ever. Wait! Ping! ping, ping! The neck tendons are separating! Redoubled efforts, saw, saw, saw! Knife moving with more rapidity than a chain saw. Blade glowing blue, the haft burns my mouth. A mouthful of ashes, the handle has burned off! Blade starting to melt! Ping, ping, ping, ping! The ephus shudders mightily,

gives a tremendous lurch and falls to the ground. His head is in my hand. One eye stares at me balefully.

I awoke from my stupor two days later when the Carroll

County Rescue Squad put a plaster of smelling salts on my face. I spent six days in the hospital and several more

trying to get my head together. Duke, Buster and Sam did time in intensive care, but due to their rugged canine constitution, shortly recovered in full.

As I pen this account, a smiling ephus head benignly regards me from the wall. The

by Barry Warbritton

other day I put a coat of Rally car wax on his horn and brushed his teeth to make him appear more civilized. He's the biggest (and no doubt meanest) ephus ever taken, so I am justly proud. The freezer is full of ephus meat, and a furry fluorescent green rug adorns my floor.

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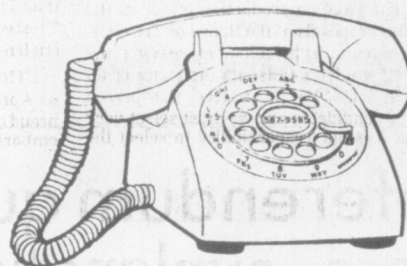
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Hyers found 'not guilty'...

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Hall, Ricky Busey and Sue Tipton.

"We were in the bookstore, and Steve walked up to me and said that he was running for the Board of Trustees...he was telling me that he was planning to run for this office. So I said 'who all is running against you?' He said, 'Tina Hall and Mike Turner.' I said, 'Well, you've got some stiff competition.' He said, 'Yeah, well, what do you think about it?' So, I let him know...as far as support was concerned, no, he never asked me to put up any posters; he never asked me for a vote; all he said was for me to think about the office," stated Poindexter. Her testimony was representative of the majority of the testimony.

Turner summed up his charge by stating that "if anybody had the right to go before any organization, individually, representing SGA, it was either myself or David Griggs, secretary of communications, never SGA vice

president. In the Constitution, it says nowhere that he (Hyers) is the spokesman or communicator for SGA."

Hyers' defense included testimony by John Spurlock, Casey Moreland, Dale Allen, Dodson, Mark Richardson, Haas, Rosenburger, Steve Young, Cindy Fairless and Dorothy Bock.

"Unless he's (Hyers) violated some part of the

Constitution or is saying something that is completely untrue, I really just can't see how you can tell someone not to go out and speak," stated Allen.

In closing, Hyers stated that "I have been accused of addressing organizations. Now I'll state emphatically: in my campaign last spring, I said that I was going to attempt to get groups' opinions, their

needs, their questions." He added that he felt that speaking to groups merely fulfilled his campaign promises.

The accepted quorum of seven Election Commission members then deliberated approximately two hours before returning the decision of "not guilty," which at press time had still not been officially verified by the

Election Commission.

Upon hearing the decision, Steve Hyers commented, "I'm sorry that the whole thing came about...Mike Turner is still my friend...I had no doubt that I was innocent from the start."

When reached for a comment later, Mike Turner stated, "I wasn't surprised (with the verdict)...I did what I thought was best. I had planned to present most of my witnesses in the Student Court."

Election Commission members refused to comment immediately following the

verdict. Those contacted later stated that the Commission had agreed that all statements to the press should come from the Election Commissioner, Steve Carter.

Chemistry Meeting

By NIKKI DILL
Copy Editor

The third Annual Area Collegiate Chemistry Meeting will be held Saturday, April 12 at Murray State University.

The meeting, co-sponsored by the UTM SAACS and MSU SAACS, includes presentation of papers by five UTM students.

Michael Carver, Mark Jackson, Thomas McSweeney, Paul Richardson and Cindy Turner will all read papers they have co-authored.

Dr. Mary Good of Louisiana State University will bring the keynote address.

Industrial exhibits will also be displayed at the meeting.

Any student interested in attending the meeting should sign up in Room 308 of the EPS Building by this afternoon. Cost for the trip is \$4.50 per person.

Admissions formula

According to Don Parish and Mark Hayes, UT College of Law students, there is a discussion at the UT College of Law to change the admissions formula from 200 x G.P.A. plus LSAT to 130 x G.P.A. plus LSAT, thereby putting less emphasis on the G.P.A.

The UT College of Law is considering the change because of a study by the Educational Testing Service which indicates that LSAT scores are a better indication of success in law school.



The University of Tennessee at Martin Horticulture Club recently observed Arbor Day with a tree-planting ceremony on the UTM campus.

Smith offered position

Dr. Robert Smith of Wichita State University has been offered the position of Dean of the School of Arts and Sciences, according to Dr. Milton Simmons.

According to Simmons, the offer was made to Smith on Tuesday.

"He has an offer from the U.S. Office of Education, so he may not accept the position," Simmons said.

Review aids scholarship

By DOROTHY BOCK
Special Assignments Editor

Delta Sigma Theta raised \$700 for its scholarship fund at the Seventh Annual Living Ads Fashion Review, ac-

cording to Brenda Calhoun, sorority president.

"The money we raised at our fashion show will aid five UT Martin students in the form of \$100 scholarships, while the remainder of the proceeds will go into the general scholarship fund," she said.

The history of the Living

Ads Charity Fund Drive dates back to 1973 and has experienced several changes, according to Calhoun.

"When the drive started in 1973, we gave the proceeds to the Easter Seal Foundation but in 1975, the sorority recognized a further need to aid students at UTM because of rising tuition, books and

supplies. Also, during this year fashions were included in addition to the living ads," she said.

She went on to explain that a living ad resembles a skit, which is put on by those persons who purchased full page ads.

Approximately 125 persons attended and observed as models from different campus organizations and offices modeled clothing donated from various patrons, according to Calhoun.

Roundtable discusses Islam

A variety of films and lectures on various aspects of the Islamic world will be featured April 15-17 as part of the ninth annual University of Tennessee at Martin History Department Roundtable.

Featured speakers will include Dr. Darlene R. May, associate professor of foreign languages and international studies at Southwestern Memphis and Dr. Theodore R. Mosch, UTM professor of

political science. Each will present a major lecture on successive evenings, and May will speak on several other occasions during the three-day event.

Planned films will offer insights into Islamic society,

culture, and politics.

"This year's Roundtable program should be of great interest to the general public as well as to students and scholars," said Doris Tanner, assistant professor of history and Roundtable director. "Current events in the Middle East have become confused and difficult to understand. We hope to present a clear and accurate description of the Islamic religion and its relationship to political events in the region and the world during our three-day program."

All sessions of this year's History Roundtable are free and open to the public.

The Roundtable program begins Tuesday, April 15, with the showing of the films, "Man and Nature" and "Nomad and City" at 7:30 p.m. in the Norman Campbell Auditorium of the UTM Humanities Building.

Women's business

The second annual Phi Chi Theta "Career's in Business for Women" seminar will be held Tuesday, April 15 in the University Center.

Mary Baird Simpson of Atlanta, regional customer support manager for the Office Products Division of IBM and a 1971 graduate of UTM, is the featured speaker. Other program participants include faculty from the UTM School of Business Administration.

The day-long seminar begins at 8:30 a.m. and is designed to acquaint young women with the opportunities available to them in business. It is open to all area high school junior and senior coeds and to area college freshmen and sophomore women.

Featured will be morning and afternoon sessions dealing with a variety of career topics, a luncheon featuring Simpson and numerous displays and exhibits.

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On Wednesday, April 16, Dr. May will discuss "Treatment of Non-Muslims in an Islamic Society" at 11:30 a.m. in Room 132 of the University Center. At 1 p.m., she will lecture on "Common Roots of Judaism, Christianity, and Islam" in Room 206 of the Humanities Building. The film "Unity" and a panel discussion moderated by Dr. John Elsterhold, UTM director of International Programs, will follow at 3 p.m. in the Campbell Auditorium. The day's events conclude with a 7:30 p.m. address by Dr. Mosch on "Reflections on the Middle East," also in the Campbell Auditorium.

Thursday's program begins at 9:30 a.m. with the film "The Inner Life" in Room 203 of the Paul Meek Library. At 11 a.m. Dr. May will discuss "Women's Role and the Family of Islam" in Room 132 of the University Center. Her discussion of "What is an Islamic Republic?" will follow at 1 p.m. in Room 205 of the Humanities Building. The film "Patterns of Beauty" will be shown at 3 p.m. in the Campbell Auditorium. The 1980 History Roundtable will end with Dr. May's 7:30 p.m. presentation entitled "Islam: The Unity of Religion and Politics" in the Campbell Auditorium.

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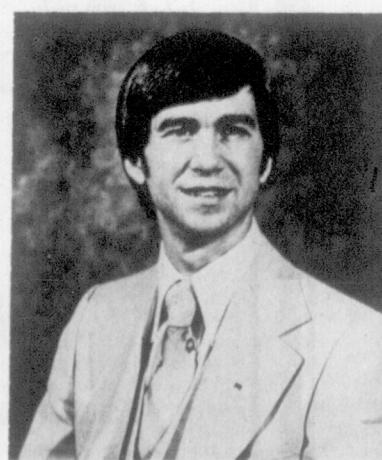
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Dennis Bussard chosen assistant athletic director

"I can't think of any other job in the country that I would have accepted," said Dennis R. Bussard, UT Martin's new assistant director of athletics.

Bussard, who worked with Ray Mears as a Volunteer basketball coach at UT Knoxville in 1970, will assist Mears with his duties and also serve as men's head tennis coach beginning May 1.

"Dennis has great organizational and leadership skills and will be a great asset to UT Martin," Mears said.

The new director of athletics, Mears, said "Dennis will direct our summer basketball camp and work to promote the UT Martin athletics program."

"I am looking forward to the

challenges of my new position at UTM. Coach Mears has been a very positive influence on my professional development and I enjoyed very much my earlier association with him," Bussard said.

Bussard currently serves as assistant athletics director, men's head basketball and tennis coach, and assistant professor of physical education at Babson College in Wellesley.

Before joining Babson, Bussard served as an instructor of physical education, men's assistant basketball coach and men's head tennis coach at Washington and Lee University in Lexington, Va., where he developed one of the

Back to high school

Bob Paynter leaves UTM

By DOROTHY BOCK
Special Assignments Editor

After a 32-year career in University of Tennessee athletics, UTM's basketball coach and former Athletics Director is retiring from college athletics and returning to coaching high school basketball.

Robert Paynter was named head basketball coach at Paragould (Ark.) High School late last week during a special meeting of the Paragould School Board.

"I started my career by teaching high school basketball and I want to spend the last part of my career coaching at the level where I had 19 years of experience and many good times," Paynter said.

Paynter described his

change in positions as a transitional change, which will begin during the 1980-81 school year.

"I had been looking for the right kind of retirement and the position at Paragould, which is my wife's home town, came along at the right time," he said.

There are differences to be encountered in coaching for a university team and coaching on the high school level, according to Paynter, and he cited recruitment as a big difference.

"In high school athletics coaches are not so concerned in time and effort in recruiting because the players are already at the school. On the other hand, recruiting for the baccalaureate level is time-consuming because top-

ranked players are essential to a team. By not having to be concerned with recruiting, there are more joys in a sport and there is more time to spend with the players," he said.

Paynter joined UTM in 1968 as the director of special studies until 1971 when he became men's athletic director, and head basketball coach which he jointly held until the winter of 1980, when Ray Mears took over as Director of Athletics.

Before coming to UTM, Paynter served for 14 years as head basketball coach at University High School in Johnson City, Tenn.

The new PHS coach graduated from St. Mary's College in Winona, Minn., Eastern Kentucky University, and the University of Tennessee.

"All of us at UT Martin wish Bob Paynter and his family the very best. His service at UTM has been exemplified by dedication and commitment," said UTM Chancellor Charles Smith.

Paynter expressed his gratitude for the pleasant times with Pacer athletes and expressed his eagerness to return to high school athletics.

"We have enjoyed being a part of UTM athletics and especially are grateful for the many pleasant associations with some quality young men in the Pacer program," he said. "We look forward to our move to Paragould and a return to high school coaching with the Bulldogs."

He is married to the former Wilma Bogan of Paragould and has a son, Todd, age 13.

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The seminar is sponsored by the UTM Chapter of Phi Chi Theta National Professional Fraternity for students in business and economics in cooperation with the UTM School of Business Administration and the Office of Undergraduate Life.

The \$5 seminar fee includes all sessions and the luncheon. To register or for additional information, contact Carolyn Townley at 587-7225.

Sports Page

Hank Aaron named campaign chairman

Henry "Hank" Aaron of Atlanta, Ga., has been named general chairman of The University of Tennessee at Martin Athletics Season Ticket Campaign, it was announced yesterday.

Dr. Charles E. Smith, UTM chancellor, said the former Atlanta Braves baseball stand-out and the current Braves vice president for player personnel would be on the UTM campus on Thursday, April 22, to kick off the campaign.

"Hank Aaron is an outstanding athlete and individual," Smith said, "and we are extremely pleased that he will serve as chairman of our season ticket campaign."

"I believe the steps we have taken in recent weeks demonstrate our commitment to the development of a quality athletics program at UTM," he continued. "As we enter the season ticket campaign, it is important to stress that the response to this campaign will be a tangible

indication of this area's interest in and support of an intercollegiate athletics program at our University.

"In a sense this campaign will be a referendum, and I am confident that the people of this area are ready to join us in the development of a program with which we can be proud."

Aaron, who holds the major league for the most career home runs, said he looked forward to serving as campaign chairman.

"I am very proud to be associated with UT Martin and the season ticket campaign," he said. "Chancellor Smith, Coach Mears and the entire staff have committed the University to establish a quality athletics program, and it is exciting to work with such dedicated individuals."

A variety of activities is planned in conjunction with the campaign, including a radio ticket-a-thon on Saturday, April 26.

Performance laboratory 'maintains healthy minds'

During the past decade, physical fitness has become increasingly important in the lives of many American college students wishing to maintain healthy minds and bodies.

To enhance the student's ability to establish a well-rounded exercise program, The University of Tennessee at Martin Department of Physical Education and Health recently established a Human Performance Laboratory.

A variety of experiments dealing with weight, stress, heart rate and body fat are conducted in the lab. The tests are designed to provide physical fitness evaluation and exercise programming for persons wishing to reduce their percentage of body fat and increase their percentage of muscle.

According to Dr. James Richardson, assistant professor of physical education and lab coordinator, a new course will be added to

the physical education curriculum during the 1980 Fall Quarter. The course, "Exercise Physiology," will train students in the operation of the lab equipment, providing lab assistants to assist with evaluation and exercise prescription for successful exercise programs.

"An exercise program can make the difference in an individual's sleeping habits, concentration and energy supply," said Richardson. "Just thirty minutes of exercise each day can prove very beneficial to an individual's well-being."

The basic exercise program begins as a slow habit forming program. Gradually the person may work into a program of bicycling, jogging, swimming or any of his favorite sports. Because everyone's physiological physical structure is different, exercise programs will vary among individuals.

Some of the equipment currently used in the lab include a physiograph,

bicyclergometer, oscilloscope and HPR-100 strength assessor. "In the near future, we hope to add additional equipment to provide more extensive physiological evaluations," Richardson said.

Currently the lab is open to UTM students, faculty and staff. However, Richardson hopes to open the lab to members of the local community in the near future.

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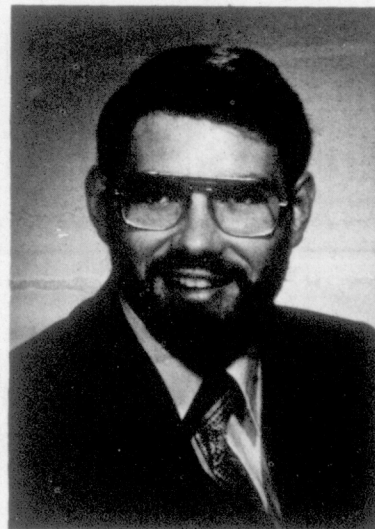
To be eligible to try out, a student must be a full-time student at UTM and have a GPA of 2.00.

The workshops will be held in the gymnastics room April 16-19 and 21-22 at 3:30 p.m. Students must attend four of the six practice sessions in order to be eligible to try out.

Applications are available from Charles Rayburn in the physical education department.

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of the UT Board of Trustees.

Dear Editor:

This year your campus of our University system has the opportunity to elect a student representative to the University's Board of Trustees. I would like to take this opportunity to heartily recommend Steve Hyers for this position. As entertainment chairman for the Student Government Association here at UTC, I have known Steve for over a year through our programming of activities at our respective schools. I have personally worked with Steve at the Regional Convention of the National Entertainment and Campus Activities Association. Steve was one of the instrumental individuals in helping to arrange touring dates for several concert acts throughout the Southeast. He did an excellent job of representing your school at this convention, and I am certain he would be an outstanding student representative to the Board of Trustees.

Again, I urge full support for Steve, whose actions have proven that he will be the kind of representative the University of Tennessee at Martin can be proud of.

Respectfully yours,
Gary D. Behler
Entertainment Chairman
University of Tennessee at Chattanooga

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Budget balancing

Cutbacks may snip aid

Proposed cuts in this year's federal budget, overlooked in attempts to curb 1980-81 spending, may have a severe impact on higher education, University of Tennessee officials say.

Besides President Carter's request to slash more than \$17 billion from his original 1981 budget proposal, 1980 budget cuts ranging from \$2.2 billion to \$2.6 billion also are being considered by Congress.

In effect, Carter's proposals would take back federal funds

already approved for the current year as well as cutting next year's budget.

The dual budget-cutting actions could hurt student aid most, UT President Edward J. Boling said. Reducing 1980 aid funds may cause confusion in awarding basic grants (BEOG) to students for next fall, a process already under way. These grants are the foundation of all federal aid to students.

Recessions in this year's federal budget could have "a very serious impact" on

student aid and capitation funding for schools training health-care professionals, said Walter Lambert, UT's director of federal capitation.

Capitation money is awarded on a per-student basis for school operations. Budget committees of both houses of Congress are reviewing possible cuts in capitation funds for this year as well as next. If approved, one effect would be an unexpected reduction in operating revenues for 1980-81.

Congress also is considering cutting \$50 per student from basic grants to be made from 1980 federal funds and limiting next year's maximum grant to \$1,800. Carter originally had asked it be raised to \$1,900.

The proposed pull-back of money already appropriated for this year could mean a loss of up to \$300,000 in student grants at UT Knoxville next fall. Lambert said basic grants are made from funds appropriated the previous year.

Other UT campuses also would be similarly affected, but the extent has not been determined. Impact of 1981 cuts is even more difficult to predict now, but overall there will be less student aid money available, Lambert said.

Basic grants are made directly to students by a federal agency. Some grants for next year already have been made from 1980 appropriations. About 900 award letters reportedly have been sent from Washington to students planning to enroll at UTK next fall, Lambert said.

Student loans guaranteed by the federal government also may be hit by efforts to curb inflation. The Federal Reserve has limited bank loan growth to 6-9 percent this year. The result is less money for new student loans even though they are federally

guaranteed.

Proposed cuts in basic grants to students would result in "sharply increased" pressure on other federal aid for students, Lambert said. This includes college work study programs, National Direct Student Loans, and supplementary federal grants.

"It is difficult to calculate the effect of holding the 1981 basic grant maximum to \$1,800," Lambert said.

Eligibility for basic grants is based on family income, and families are expected to lose this eligibility because of salary increases to keep up with inflation.

"Inflation, in effect, is causing families to become ineligible for student aid funds which are being cut to help stop inflation," Lambert said.

Balancing the 1981 budget is also expected to result in less federal money for research,

especially grants from the National Institutes of Health. NIH may have research funds cut 6 percent below this year's level. One expected result will be more intense competition for grants, Lambert said.

The National Science Foundation, also a major supporter of research, may not be cut proportionately as much as other agencies. But universities will be affected by proposed cuts in NSF science education grants and traineeships.

The NSF grants help prepare high school science teachers, and traineeships are primarily for graduate students studying science in college.

The biggest apparent loser in research supported by the Department of Energy is high energy physics research. Lambert said UT's work in this area is limited but increasing.



Opposites attract!

Dinner Theatre at 'odds'

By JENNIFER GUTHRIE
Features Editor

Step into the comedic world of Oscar and Felix in "The Odd Couple" at Vanguard's

Dinner Theatre tonight, Friday and Saturday.

The dinner is from 6-7 p.m., and the performance is at 7:30.

"Most critics would agree that this is Neil Simon's best play—certainly his most famous," Jim Brewi, assistant director, declared. "It is timeless," he went on to say. "There are no loopholes."

Based upon a true incident, the story concerns two op-

posites, both divorced. Oscar, a slob, asks Felix, a perfectionist, to move in with him. The problem and effects of living with each other produce hilarious results.

The play originally took place in 1965, but it has been updated.

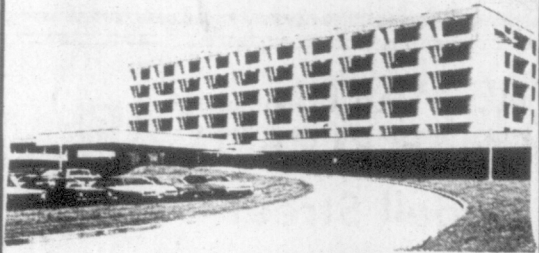
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'Quality' students

113 students register for intensive English

By BARRY WARBRITTON
News Editor

The intensive English program of International Programs this quarter has experienced its highest enrollment since Fall Quarter of 1978 with 113 students registered, according to Dr. John Eisterhold, director of International Programs.

Eisterhold said that the 113 students, which was also the number registered in the fall of 1978, show an increase of quality over students enrolled in the past.

"We're not really looking

for growth," Eisterhold said. "What we're really hoping to do is to raise the quality of the applicants and gradually we've been able to do that."

Charles Gillon, academic coordinator of the Intensive English Program, said that several more students are expected to enroll before the end of the quarter, bringing the enrollment up to approximately 115 or 120 students.

"The quality definitely is higher," Gillon said. "A good indicator of the better quality students is the fact that we're getting more and more students in the lower levels of our program passing the TOEFL (Test Of English as a Foreign Language), whereas before it would be only those in the higher levels who would

pass. I think there are two reasons for that: We're getting better quality students and I think the quality of our program has improved also."

Gillon added that the high enrollment this quarter was unexpected and that the Intensive English Program has no plans to further expand its enrollment.

John Mathenia, an instructor in Intensive English, said that the course offers no credit hours and involves 27 hours a week of English instruction with five levels of instruction. Each level requires approximately 10 weeks to complete and the average foreign student gains sufficient English proficiency to enroll in regular curriculum after 20 weeks of English instruction.

By BARRY WARBRITTON
News Editor

The Second Annual Black Student Scholarships, organized to recognize the academically outstanding black senior at Fulton City and South Fulton high schools, will be supported in part by the \$1 admission fee to a disco at Studio 45 on Tuesday, April 15 from 8-12 p.m., according to Susan House, organizer and founder of the scholarships.

House said that the monopoly held by white students on scholarships has been broken by The Black Student Scholarships, which last year were funded primarily by the black churches and organizations in the Fulton-South Fulton community and by personal contributions, and that, while much emphasis is put on the

black athlete, too little is placed on the black intellect.

"Being an honor graduate of South Fulton High School, my dream was to see a change in the recognition of blacks on commencement rights; on the other hand, my ultimate dream is to see the perpetual success of the scholarships," House said. "Langston Hughes stated 'Hold fast to dreams for when dreams go, life is a barren field, frozen with snow.'"

Last year's \$150 scholarship recipient from South Fulton High School was Rheta Johnson, who is now an engineering major at Memphis State. Fulton City High School's recipient was Barbara Smith, who is an engineering major at Murray State, according to House.

Calling all artists; apply for Mayfest

Area artists and craftsmen planning to participate in the fourth annual University of Tennessee at Martin Mayfest Arts and Crafts show on May 17 have until April 11 to apply.

Ed N. White, Mayfest coordinator, said this year's

show should be one of the best in the history of the event. "We have several of the area's finest artists and craftsmen planning to participate in Mayfest 1980," White said, "and we are looking forward to seeing some very fine displays."

A limited number of display booths is still available, and White invited local artists and craftsmen who have not yet applied to participate in this year's show to display their works.

The annual show begins at 10 a.m. in the UTM Physical Education and Convocation Complex. Featured will be student art displays, a puppet show for area children, special musical entertainment and a hospitality room for exhibitors. UTM student volunteers will assist participants throughout the day.

Mayfest 1980 is being held under the guidelines of the Northwest Tennessee Artist-Craftsmen Association. All entries will be screened by a screening jury composed of arts and crafts experts.

Applications for the annual arts and crafts show are available from the Office of Facilities Planning.

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